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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

As required by the Examiner, claims 15 and 16 have been cancelled.

The only rejection of record is the rejection of claims 1-6, 8-14 and 17-18 under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in essence because of the manner in which the dynamic friction coefficient is defined in claim 1. In an endeavor to avoid this issue, claim 1 is amended in view of the disclosure at page 30 of the present specification and also the JIS-K-7125 translation of record.

More specifically, as required by the JIS Standard, the friction is measured between a facing material and a sliding material. As described in the present specification at page 30, in the second paragraph, it is necessary that the test be carried out so that the front surface and the reverse surface of films come into contact. That is, as described on page 30 in the second paragraph, it is necessary that the dynamic friction coefficient be measured between the front surface of a film and the reverse surface of a film.

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The change to claim 1 is an endeavor to reflect the measurement as defined in the specification and in the JIS Standard.

During an informal telephone discussion with Examiner Jackson, she indicated that there is a possibility that she would consider these changes at this time in the prosecution and would call with her comments, if necessary, to help advance the prosecution. It is therefore requested that the AMENDMENT be considered and that, if there are any further questions or issues, that the below-named attorney be called in an endeavor to expedite this matter, especially in view of the fact that only a formal objection remains.

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